Amount to Assam University etc. under non-lapsable Central pool of Resources

1749. DR. (SMT.) JOYASREE GOSWAMI MAHANTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether an amount of Rs. 64 crores has been recommended for UT Guwahati; Tezpur Central University ; Assam University and DIPHU-Campus of Assam University, Silchar under non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources; and

(b) if so, whether the above amount is in addition to the 10 per cent of the Ministry's plan budget required to be spent for the North-East and whether the Ministry has actually spent this 10 per cent for the North-East during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) The following project proposals have been recommended for funds from recently set up Non-Lapsable Central Pool:

(i)	IIT, Guwahati	—	Rs. 34 crores
(ii)	Tezpur Central University	—	Rs. 10 crores
(iii)	Assam University	—	Rs. 10 crores
(iv)	DIPHU Campus	—	Rs. 3 crores

(b) The Ministry has not spent 10% of its plan budget for 1999- 2000 on the North-East. A Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources for the North-Eastern States is envisaged by crediting to it unspent amounts from 10% earmarked funds in the budgets of various Central Ministries/Departments.

Discontinuation of active rural literacy projects of Madhya Pradesh

†1750. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the active rural literacy projects in Madhya Pradesh have been discontinued since 1991, as a result of fresh initiative taken by the Centre;

(b) if so, whether due to non-absorption of officers/employees in the said projects till date, their pending travelling dues are yet to be paid to them;

†Original notice of (he question was received in Hindi.